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CORNELIUS E. GALLAGHER

CORNELIUS E. (Neil) GALLAGHER, 37, Democrat, of New Jersey, backed by the Democratic organization of former Mayor John V., Kenny of Jersey City, toppled his former boss, Rep. Alfred D. Sieminski, in the primary in the 13th (Jersey City) District and then won by a 3-1 vote in the general election.

Like Sieminski, Gallagher is a war hero. He holds eight decorations for his service with Gen. Patton's Third Army in France and Germany during World War II. He also served in the Korean War. In 1949 he was the first president of the Hudson County Young Democrats. In 1950 he ran for Congress but withdrew and became secretary to Sieminski. He is the youngest man ever elected to the Hudson County Board of Freeholders and to serve on the N. J. Turnpike Authority -- he is vice chairman.

As a Congressional candidate he ran on a platform backing full employment, a "stabilized" foreign policy, more federal aid for housing, and development of Hudson County port facilities. He is a graduate of John Marshall College, served for a time as professor of military science and tactics at Rutgers University. He is an attorney. He lives with his wife and two children in Bayonne.